

SHB 2344 - H AMD **863**

By Representative Anderson

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1 On page 3, after line 33, insert the following:

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3 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. (1) The state auditor, in consultation with
4 the joint legislative audit and review committee, shall complete a
5 systemic performance audit of the state universities, regional
6 universities, and The Evergreen State College. The purpose of the
7 audit is to create a transparent link between revenues,
8 expenditures, and performance outcomes as outlined in the
9 performance agreements developed under RCW 28B.10.920 and the
10 strategic master plan for higher education as adopted by the
11 legislature. The study shall:

12 (a) Identify standardized categories of costs that will allow
13 comparison across various administrative, student support, and
14 academic functions;

15 (b) Based on available management data, estimate current annual
16 costs at each institution for the various cost categories;

17 (c) Based on available management data, identify fund sources
18 that support the cost categories at each institution; and

19 (d) Identify barriers or gaps in data linking revenues,
20 expenditures and performance agreement outcome measures.

21 (2) The auditor shall report findings and recommendations to the
22 appropriate committees of the legislature by December 1, 2010. The
23 report shall include but is not limited to:

24 (a) The identification of cost savings and programs or services
25 that could be eliminated;

26 (b) Analysis of gaps or overlaps in programs or services and
27 recommendations to correct gaps or overlaps;

1 (c) Feasibility of pooling technology systems or elements of
2 technology systems pursuant to chapter __ (Second Substitute House
3 Bill No. 1946), laws of 2009;

4 (d) Recommendations for statutory or regulatory changes that may
5 be necessary for the state universities, regional universities, and
6 The Evergreen State College to meet performance agreement objectives
7 mutually agreed upon pursuant to 28B.10.922; and

8 (e) Recommendations on the development of a uniform higher
9 education performance, budgeting, accounting and reporting system."

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EFFECT: Requires the State Auditor, in consultation with JLARC, to
conduct a systemic performance audit of the public baccalaureate
institutions.

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